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EDWARD S. CATES,

59, a retired deputy director of the Office of Research and Development at the Central Intelligence Agency, died Aug. 3 at Commonwealth Hospital in Fairfax after a heart attack.

Mr. Cates, who lived in Fairfax City, was born in Burlington, N.C. He graduated from the University of Virginia and received a master's degree there in agricultural economics. During World War II he served in the Navy.

In 1950, he moved to the Washington area and went to work for the Agriculture Department. In 1953, he transferred to the CIA. In the course of his career he was assigned to the Office of Training and to various other parts of the agency before moving to the Office of Research and Development.

He received the Distinguished Intelligence Medal in 1982, the National Intelligence Medal of Achievement in 1980 and a certificate of commendation in the 1960s.

Mr. Cates was a Mason and a member of the International Country Club.

Survivors include his wife, Christine H. Cates of Fairfax City; three children, Mary Beth Lucas of Chantilly, Va., Carolyn C. Saleski of Columbia, Md., and E. Scott Cates of Midland, Va., and two grandchildren.